

PATENT

## PCT INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION

Serial No.: NA

Filed: Herewith

Based on: **PCT/JP2003/010619**  
Title: **INSTANT FOOD**

Inventor(s): **Hitoshi Furuta, Yoko Sato, Takeshi Tomio,  
Hirokazu Asano and Kiyohito Suzuki**

Priority Date  
Claimed: **August 23, 2002**

Docket No.: 054-05

"EXPRESS MAIL" MAILING LABEL NO:  
EV 281505792 US  
DATE OF DEPOSIT February 22, 2005  
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PAPER IS BEING  
DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POST  
OFFICE "EXPRESS MAIL POST OFFICE TO  
ADDRESSEE" SERVICE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 ON  
THE DATE INDICATED ABOVE AND IS ADDRESSED  
TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. BOX  
1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450  
NAME OF PERSON MAILING PAPER OR FEE  
*Louis Distivo*  
SIGNATURE:

## EXPRESS MAIL COVER LETTER

*Commissioner for Patents*  
*P.O. Box 1450*  
*Alexandria, VA 22313-1450*

Dear Sir:

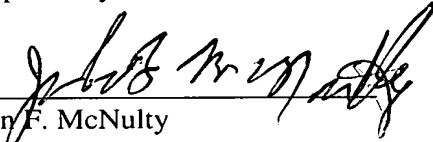
Enclosed and attached hereto are the following documents:

- (1) Express Mail Cover Letter;
- (2) International Application Transmittal form (2 pages);
- (3) Check in the amount of \$1,000 application filing fee;
- (4) Specification (7 pages);
- (5) Claims (1 pages);
- (6) Abstract (1 page);
- (7) Declaration Power of Attorney Document 4 pages (executed);
- (8) Assignment with PTO form 1595;

- (9) Check in the amount \$40.00 recordation fee;
- (10) PCT Request (5) Pages in Japanese language;
- (11) Article 20 Communication (1 page);
- (12) International Publication No. WO 2004/017755 A1 (2 pages);
- (13) International Search Report (2 pages); and
- (14) Paul & Paul postcard to be returned by the PTO.

THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY ADDITIONAL FEES ASSOCIATED WITH THIS COMMUNICATION, OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT, TO PAUL & PAUL DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 16-0750, ORDER NO. 2938.

Respectfully submitted,

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
John F. McNulty  
Reg. No. 23,028  
Paul & Paul  
2900 Two Thousand Market St.  
Philadelphia, PA 19103  
(215) 568-4900

FORM PTO-1390 (Modified) U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (REV. 12-2004)		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 054-05
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/525085</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2003/010619	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE August 21, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED August 23, 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION INSTANT FOOD		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Hitoshi Furuta, Yoko Sato, Takeshi Tomio, Hirokazu Asano and Kiyohito Suzuki		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below. 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)) a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). 11. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409). 12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210). Items 13 to 23 below concern document(s) or information included: 13. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A <b>FIRST</b> preliminary amendment. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> preliminary amendment. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 18. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. 20. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 21. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Express Mail Label No. <b>EV 281505792 US</b> 23. <input type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:		

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

U.S. APPLICATION NO (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/525085</b>		INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/JP2003/010619</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER <b>054-05</b>	
24. The following fees are submitted:				Applicant use	Office use only
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) Basic national fee .....		\$300.00		\$	\$300.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b) Examination fee .....		\$200.00		\$	\$200.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c) Search fee .....		\$500.00		\$	\$500.00
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>		<b>\$1000.00</b>		\$	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole)	RATE		
9 - 100 =	-91 /50 =	-1	x \$250.00	\$	\$0.00
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).				\$	
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total claims	4 - 20 =	0	x \$50.00	\$	\$0.00
Independent claims	1 - 3 =	0	x \$200.00	\$	\$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> + \$360.00				\$	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				\$	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$	\$0.00
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>				\$	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).				\$	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>				\$	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property +				\$	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>				\$	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
Amount to be refunded:					\$
Amount to be charged:					\$
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ <b>\$1,000.00</b> to cover the above fees is enclosed.					
b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.					
c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <b>16-0750</b> . A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.					
d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. <b>WARNING:</b> Information on this form may become public. <b>Credit card information should not be included on this form.</b> Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.					
<b>NOTE:</b> Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.					
SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:					
John F. McNulty, Esquire					
Paul & Paul					
2900 Two Thousand Market Street					
Philadelphia, Pa 19103					
USA					
(215) 568-4900					
				SIGNATURE	
				John F. McNulty, Esquire	
				NAME	
				23,028	
				REGISTRATION NUMBER	